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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the development, maintenance, and promotion of
2 a credit transfer and articulation internet website by the
3 state board of regents and making an appropriation.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. STATE BOARD OF REGENTS == ARTICULATION WEBSITE
1 2 == APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from the general fund
1 3 of the state to the state board of regents for the fiscal year
1 4 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the
1 5 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
1 6 used for the purposes designated:
1 7 For the development, maintenance, and promotion of a credit
1 8 transfer and articulation internet website for use by students
1 9 who wish to transfer credits earned at a community college to
1 10 a state university governed by the board:
1 11 \$ 250,000
1 12 The general assembly finds that as college costs increase,
1 13 Iowa's community college students need access to resources
1 14 that allow the students to make informed, cost-effective
1 15 decisions regarding their postsecondary education plans. It
1 16 is the intent of the general assembly to provide for a
1 17 seamless transition for students transferring from Iowa's
1 18 community colleges to Iowa's state universities. Therefore,
1 19 the state board of regents shall, in cooperation with the
1 20 department of education and the community colleges, develop,
1 21 maintain, and promote a user-friendly credit transfer and
1 22 articulation internet website that allows Iowans to know at
1 23 the time of enrollment in a community college course whether
1 24 the credit will be accepted by the state university of the
1 25 student's choice, the category in which the university will
1 26 apply the credit, and to which degree program or programs the
1 27 university will apply the credit. The board and the community
1 28 colleges shall continuously strive to improve upon the
1 29 coordinating efforts between the state universities and the
1 30 community colleges to map and articulate community college
1 31 courses for college credit with the degree programs offered at
1 32 the state universities. The website shall be operational not
1 33 later than July 1, 2008.

1 34 EXPLANATION

1 35 This bill appropriates \$250,000 from the general fund of
2 1 the state to the state board of regents for the development,
2 2 maintenance, and promotion of a user-friendly credit transfer
2 3 and articulation internet website that allows Iowans to know
2 4 at the time of enrollment in a community college course
2 5 whether the credit earned will be accepted by the state
2 6 university of the student's choice, the category in which the
2 7 university will apply the credit, and to which degree program
2 8 or programs the university will apply the credit. The website
2 9 must be operational not later than July 1, 2008.
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